## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL	§	No. 12-md-2323 (AB)
LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION	§	MDI N. 2222
INJURY LITIGATION	8 8	MDL No. 2323
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	§	SHORT FORM COMPLAINT
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:	§	
71.1.100.17	§	IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL
Plaintiffs' Master Administrative Long-	§ ,	LEAGUE PLAYERS'
Form Complaint and	§	CONCUSSION INJURY
	§	LITIGATION
ERIC DICKERSON, ET AL	§	
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V.	§	
THE MATIONAL BOOTH AND ADDRESS.	§	
THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE	§	
NO. 4:12-cv-01548	§	
	§	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

## SHORT FORM COMPLAINT

- 1. Plaintiff(s), Hoyle Granger and, if applicable,

  Plaintiff's Spouse) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, bring(s) this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION, MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) is/are filing this Short Form Complaint as required by this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.
- 3. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse), incorporate(s) by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Master Administrative Long-Form

Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint.

4. [Fill in	n if applicable] Pla	aintiff is filing this case in	n a representa	ative capacity
as the	_ of	, having bee	en duly appoi	inted as the
	_ By the	Court of	,	(Cross out
Sentence below if 1	not applicable.)	Copies of the Letters	of Administr	ration/Letters
Testamentary for a w	rongful death cla	im are annexed hereto if	such Letters	are required
for the commencement	ent of such a claim	m by the Probate, Surro	gate or other	r appropriate
court of the jurisdicti	on of the decedent	t.		
5. Plaint	ff, Hoyle Gr	anger	is a 1	resident and
citizen of Houst	on, TX	and claims damage	es as set forth	below.
6. [Fill in	ı if applicable] Pla	untiff's spouse,		, is a
resident and citizen o	f	and claims damag	es as a resu	lt of loss of
consortium proximate	ely caused by the l	narm suffered by her Plai	ntiff husband	l/decedent.
7. On inf	ormation and beli	ef, the Plaintiff (or deced	dent) sustaine	ed repetitive,
traumatic sub-concus	ssive and/or conc	cussive head impacts du	ıring NFL g	ames and/or
practices. On infor	mation and belie	ef, Plaintiff suffers (or	decedent su	ffered) from
symptoms of brain	injury caused by	the repetitive, traumati	ic sub-concu	ssive and/or
concussive head impa	acts the Plaintiff (	(or decedent) sustained d	luring NFL g	games and/or

8. [Fill in if applicable] The original complaint by Plaintiff(s) in this matter was filed in the <u>USDC</u>, <u>Southern District of Texas</u>, <u>Houston Division</u>. If the case is

practices. On information and belief, the Plaintiff's (or decedent's) symptoms arise from

injuries that are latent and have developed and continue to develop over time.

remanded, it	should be remanded to the USDC, Southern District of Texas, Houston
Division.	
9.	Plaintiff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]:
	✓ Injury to Herself/Himself;
	Injury to the Person Represented;
	Wrongful Death;
	Survivorship Action;
	✓ Economic Loss;
	Loss of Services;
	Loss of Consortium.
10.	[Fill in if applicable] As a result of the injuries to her husband,
	, Plaintiff's Spouse,, suffers from a
loss of consor	tium, including the following injuries:
	loss of marital services;
	loss of companionship, affection or society;
	loss of support; and
	monetary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to
expend for the	e heath care and personal care of her husband.
11.	[Check if applicable] $\underline{\checkmark}$ Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable)

reserve(s) the right to object to federal jurisdiction.

## **DEFENDANTS**

12. Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) bring(s) this case against the following Defendants in this action [check all that apply]:

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✓ National Football League;
✓ NFL Properties, LLC;
✓ Riddell, Inc.;
✓ All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.);
✓ Riddell Sports Group, Inc.;
✓ Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.;
✓ Easton-Bell Sports, LLC
✓ EB Sports Corporation;
✓ RBG Holdings Corporation.
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- 13. [Check where applicable] As to each of the Riddell Defendants referenced above, the claims asserted are: ✓ design defect; ✓ informational defect; \_\_manufacturing defect.
- 14. [Check if applicable] ✓ The Plaintiff (or decedent) wore one or more helmets designed and/or manufactured by the Riddell Defendants during one or more years Plaintiff (or decedent) played in the NFL and/or AFL.
- 15. Plaintiff played in [check if applicable] ✓ the National Football League ("NFL") and/or in [check if applicable] ✓ the American Football League ("AFL") during

1900 to 1970	for the following teams: <u>Houston</u>
Oilers, New	Orleans Saints, and Houston Oilers
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	<u>CAUSES OF ACTION</u>
16.	Plaintiff herein adopts by reference the following Counts of the Master
Administrati	ve Long-Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by
Reference in	those Counts [check all that apply]:
	✓ Count I (Action for Declaratory Relief – Liability (Against the NFL);
	✓ Count II (Medical Monitoring [Against the NFL]);
	Count III (Wrongful Death and Survival Actions [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count IV (Fraudulent Conceament [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count V (Fraud [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count VI (Negligent Misrepresentation [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count VII Negligence Pre-1968 Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count VIII (Negligence Post-1968 [Against the NFL]);
	Count IX (Negligence 1987-1993 [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count X (Negligence Post-1994 [Against the NFL]);
	Count XI (Loss of Consortium [Against the NFL and Riddell
X.	Defendants]);
	✓ Count XII (Negligent Hiring [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count XIII (Negligent Retention [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count XIV (Strict Liability for Design Defect [Against the
	Riddell Defendants]);

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attach]:			
17.	Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or		
	the NFL Defendants]).		
	✓ Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment [Against		
	✓ Count XVII (Negligence [Against the Riddell Defendants]);		
	✓ Count XVI (Failure to Warn [Against the Riddell Defendants]);		
	Riddell Defendants]);		
	Count XV (Strict Liability for Manufacturing Defect [Against the		

Wherefore, Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable), pray(s) for judgment as follows:

- A. An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be determined at trial;
- B. For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
- C. For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern this action;
- D. For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form of equitable relief;
- E. For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;

- F. An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and
- G. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

## **JURY DEMANDED**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff(s) hereby demand(s) a trial by jury.

Respectfully submitted,

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